

The Record

We Wish You

Happy and Prosperous

New Year

SMITH & GAETZ

The Hardware People.

FRIDAY BARGAINS IN Watches Watches AT HUMBER'S

This week we are determined to clear out the
greater proportion of our stock of Watches at
ridiculously low prices.

20 PER CENT. DISCOUNT
on every Watch in our store.

Here we append a few Specials:
Gentlemen's Waltham Watches, 20 year gold, screw cases \$7.50
Gentlemen's Watches, nickel, screw cases, worth \$6.50. To
clear \$3.75
Ladies' 25 year Filled Watches, Waltham or Elgin, to
clear at 25 per cent. off

We have one more DISC GRAPHOPHONE that we will
sell on Friday the 24th, with 1 doz. 10c Records, worth
regular \$28.00.....FRIDAY SPECIAL \$15.00
All CHINA and HAND-PAINTED ROSEWOOD at 1-4 off

Remember the Date - FRIDAY the 24th
At H. H. HUMBER'S, The Watchmaker
C.P.R. Watch Inspector.

R. C. BRUMPTON'S

BIG HANDY STORE NEWS.
PHONE 17.

WE take this opportunity of
thanking the people of this
District for their generous support
of this Store during the past year.

We solicit a continuance of your
patronage.

Many New Customers are being
added to our list, and better service
will be given in

1910

than during the past.

We Wish you all a Most Happy
and Prosperous New Year

R. C. Brumpton.

Watch this Business grow during 1910

Final Council Meeting for 1909.

The last regular meeting of the
Town Council was held on Thurs-
day evening last, all members
being present and Mayor Bot-
terill presiding.

The Council resolved into a
Court of Revision to hear appeals
against the local improvement
sewer frontage assessment.

H. H. Gaetz, on behalf of
Osler, Hammond and Nanton,
appealed against the assessment
on blocks 27, 28.

After an adjournment the sec-
retary produced correspondence
relative to the matter.

On motion of Councillors T. A.
Gaetz and S. E. McKee the
appeal was not allowed.

The Methodist church was
assessed for 87 feet on Ross
avenue as taxable frontage in-
stead of 130 feet as frontage as
assessed at present, on motion
of Councillors T. A. Gaetz and Hill.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

The following report of the
commissioners was adopted:

We recommend that the ques-
tion of building additional bed-
rooms in the fire hall be left to
the incoming Council to decide.

The three cars of briquettes
arrived some days ago. The
amount unsold has been stored in
the sheds near the rink.

The covering of the old hyd-
rants has been so effectual in
preventing them from freezing up
that we have had the rest of them
covered.

We have received from the
Merchants Bank \$1730.30 for the
debenture sold them. This amount
has been credited to the Deben-
ture bank account and the bal-
ance transferred to the general
account, closing out the account.

An inventory has been taken
of all furniture, equipment and
material in each department.

This has been entered in the
inventory book, which we submit
herewith for your inspection.

We submit herewith accounts for
your consideration.

We submit for your considera-
tion a by-law to borrow \$500
for sewer connection account. It
will not be necessary to borrow
all of this now.

In this our closing report of
the year it is not necessary to
recapitulate the work of the year
or the financial report, as this
was fully reported to the annual
ratepayers' meeting.

We wish, however, to express to the mem-
bers of the Council our hearty
appreciation of your co-operation
with us in our endeavors to im-
prove the financial condition of
the Town, and to carry on its
business during the year to obtain
the best results with the least ex-
penditure.

We are gratified that
no friction or sectionalism de-
veloped in the Council, but that
each Councillor worked earnestly
for the best interests of the Town
as a whole, and the fact that at
over 30 meetings held this year
the average attendance was over
90 per cent. shows that the duties
laid upon you by virtue of your
office were not neglected.

We trust that future Councils will
live up to the reputation of the
Council of 1909, and will even
improve the present excellent
financial standing of the Town.

We feel that we are turning the
affairs of the Town over to the
incoming Council in excellent
shape. The finances are healthy,
and all departments well organ-
ized, all work cleaned up, with
prospects for the future brighter
than ever before in the history of

Red Deer.

A by-law to borrow the sum of
\$500 passed its several readings
and was made law.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts were
authorized to be paid:
H. Lowden, \$23.00; H.J. Gaetz,
2.50; wage sheet, 26.00; Reid &
Feard, 1.20; News Publishing Co.,
5.00; G. Bryan, 13.75; Merchants
Bank, 200.22; Grive & Co., .50;
Town of Red Deer, 5.40; Town
of Red Deer, 13.30; Imperial
Bank, 623.10; Sec. Public School,
100.00; McKee & Cruickshank,
33.10; Pidgeon & Miller, 20.00;
Geo. Bryan, 22.73; D. Money-
penny, 9.00; C.P.R., 3.00; Gaetz
& Gaetz, 1.80; Red Deer Advo-
cate, 6.75; Bard Bros., 50.00.

Council then adjourned after
mutual hand shake.

Mr. Johnson of Penhold Killed in Runaway

CONSTABLE WILSON, INNIS-
FAIL, SHOOT HIMSELF.

A double tragedy was enacted
at Innisfail and west of that town
on Christmas day. Constable
Wilson, R. N. W. M. P., of Innis-
fail, loaned the police team to a
man named Coffin to go driving.
This was contrary to the rules.
The horses ran away and crashed
into the rig of Mr. Johnson, a
hardware merchant of Penhold,
who was on the way to visit
friends near Markerville. Johnson
was thrown under the horses' feet
and his neck dislocated and al-
though he was removed to the
Red Deer Hospital he died Sunday.
Deceased was a hard
working, quiet Swede, a widower
with a family of six small chil-
dren and his sudden death is a
shock to the community.

Constable Wilson, of Innisfail,
who is well known in Red Deer,
having been here for a time, took
the death of Johnson very much
to heart, blaming himself no doubt
for lending the horses although
other than that he was in no way
responsible for the accident, and
towards midnight shot himself in
the mouth with a revolver at the
barracks, dying instantly. Wilson
had been a heavy drinker but for
some months made a strong fight
against the habit and had partly
out it out.

A sad part of the tragedy is
that Wilson's wife was ill at the
Memorial Hospital and was well
enough to have left Monday. She
wept all day Christmas because
she could not get home to her
husband and would not be com-
forted. When she heard the news
she fell in a dead faint. She has
only been married for about a
year and she will probably return
to her people who reside near
London, Ontario.

Barker-Broughton

On Monday, Dec. 20th., at the
home of W. Graves, contractor,
Calgary; Ellen L. (Nellie), eldest
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W.
Broughton, Red Deer, was mar-
ried to Joseph M. Barker, of
Bankhead. The ceremony was
performed by Rev. D. H. Gunn,
(Baptist), Hillhurst. The bride
wore a very pretty Princess gown
of blue broadcloth.

This is the second of Mr.
Broughton's daughters who has
married South Africa veteran.
Mr. and Mrs. Barker returned
on Wednesday to Bankhead,
where they will reside.

Indian Institute Entertainment.

The annual entertainment of the
Red Deer Indian School was given on
Christmas eve by the pupils and staff
of the Institute. It was unanimously
asserted by the members longest on
the staff that it far eclipsed anything
formerly given. The new platform in
the schoolroom was uniquely and
tastefully decorated, under the direc-
tion of Mr. Lockhart (vice-principal),
who is an artist in this line. The
programme, which took up full two and
half hours, was of good order and well
executed. The several drills by the
boys and girls were especially well
done. A good feature, which ran
through and kept coming on during
the entertainment, were telegrams
being read at intervals by Mr. Barker
(principal), supposedly from Santa
Claus, starting from White Fish lake
and reporting by wire on his way
down. On his reaching Red Deer, the
phone bell rang and was answered by
Mr. Barker very realistically. Then
the clatter of hoofs could be heard,
while every child's face was a look
of wondering expectancy, the climax
being reached when Santa Claus ap-
peared in his kicking mule, bring-
ing a message of thanks and good
wishes to the school. The children
made the announcement that in
former years the management had
given each pupil a present. This year,
by the wish of the pupils, the
amount thus spent had been sent to
the deserving poor, and the children
children not so well favored as them-
selves. The program was as follows:
Opening Chorus—Christmas Bells

Prayer
Christmas Exercise
Nine Girls
Antiphon—Hallelujah to the King

Deceit—Nazarath
Scene—The Shepherds
The Staff
Little Girls
Mr. Barker
Members of
The Staff

Chorus—Hear the Bells
Dumb-bell Drill
Awarding of Indian Department
Prizes
Mr. Barker
The Staff
The Girls

Scene—Selected
Scene—Bedroom on Christmas
Night
Mrs. Barker, Herbert
and Miss

Chorus—We'll never say Goodbye
to Christmas
The School
Santa Claus arrives on his
kicking mule "Mand" Mr. C. Hives
Good night, and Merry Christmas

At the Indian School, Christmas
eve was not the only event worthy of
notice. On Christmas Day, when the
winter was really in its teeth, to go
through the dining hall and see the
tables. While there, the pupils came
in; and to see the way the children
plum pudding, oranges, apples and
candy, the latter being home made,
and kindly donated by Miss McLaughlin
went out of sight, was a sight to behold.
Several could not finish their supply,
and were much like the boy who
when asked if he could not eat more,
said, "I can chew but I can't swallow."

When all was quiet, the staff gathered
at Mr. Lockhart's home for a few
minutes of friendly chat, and to pre-
sent to Principal Barker the following
address and its accompaniment:
Indian Industrial School,
Red Deer, Dec. 25, 1909.
Dear Mr. Barker,—It is with feelings
of devout thanksgiving to the Giver
of all good, that the members of your
staff have gathered together this evening,
not only to spend a social hour,
but also to express, in some tangible
way, the love and esteem we find deeply
lodged in each of our hearts for
you as a brother in Christ Jesus. Since
your taking the superintendence of
this work, some three years ago, you
have greatly endeared yourself to us
by your amiable character, your earnest
devotion to duty, and the hearty
interest you ever have manifested in
our welfare, as members of the little
family.

With a deep sense of your many
benefactions, we ask you to accept
this "Club bag" as a small token of
our increasing admiration and esteem
for yourself, and of our gratitude for
your labors in our behalf.

A. GUMMING C. F. HIVES
L. T. HOPKINS FRED J. DODSON
S. SLACK T. H. LOCKHART
H. E. ROYCE J. S. KESSELL

Mr. Barker, in a slightly confused
way (unusual to him) expressed his
appreciation, not of the intrinsic value,
but of the kindly feelings and motives
which prompted the act.

After partaking of fruit, etc., sup-
plied by the host and hostess, all
went to their own quarters and
tucked themselves in to dream of the
kicking mule.

Cumberland.

On Wednesday evening, Dec.
22nd, the Cumberland Sunday
School held its Christmas treat.
The tree was held somewhat
earlier than usual in order to
have Mr. and Mrs. Crockett, who
are on their way to China as
missionaries, present.

Mr. Mackay did the duties of
chairman in a very able manner.
The following is a synopsis of the
programme: Speech by the
chairman; an organ selection by
Mrs. Crockett; song "The Better
Land" Mrs. McCulloch; reading
"Tenderfoot Broncho" Miss E.

Lund; musical selection, Thorne
family, and upon being encored
a selection, composed by Frank,
was given, which showed promise
of great ability; song "Ye Banks
and Braes" Mr. Jas. Bell;

Dialogue; song "Sunbonnet Sue";
Miss G. Smith; reading "Cuddle
Doon" Mr. Watson. At this part
of the programme lunch was serv-
ed, and while waiting for it, a
number of the children gave
recitations, among whom Rose
Heyworth deserves special men-
tion. The lunch consisted of tea,
sandwiches, cakes, candies and
ice cream, after which the pro-
gramme was gone on with again
as follows: Song "Children's
Home" Mrs. McCulloch; recita-
tions, "Cowboy's Night Thoughts,"
Miss E. Lund; song "He Was a
Prince" Miss Crockett, which re-

ceived a well merited encore;
musical selection by Thorne
family; after which the daintily
dressed Christmas tree was de-
scribed by Santa Claus. Santa
seemed to know the girls of
Cumberland very well, if they
were his favorites.

Mr. Graham and Mr. Crockett
gave speeches which were short
and to the point, and after the
National Anthem all departed
homeward.

Gaetz Valley.

Mr. Rodney Smith has left on
a brief visit to Ontario.

C. Austin, who had his foot
bruised badly in a hay press, is
coming on nicely under home
treatment.

Miss Crockett held a Christmas
tree in the school house on Thurs-
day, Dec. 23. The programme,
consisting of about fifteen pieces,
was given entirely by the school,
and bore eloquent tribute to the
careful work and management
during training. Although the
crowd was not large, yet it fully
appreciated the programme. Mr.
C. Little, chairman of the School
Board, was chairman. Santa
Claus distributed the presents
from the tree for all the children
present, after which a hearty
vote of thanks was tendered to
Miss Crockett for the entertain-
ment.

Warm Footwear for Winter Weather.

THE RED DEER STORE.

REMNANT SALE!

We purpose putting on this week a Remnant
Sale, to dispose of short ends of stock prepara-
tory to our yearly inventory. These must be
cleared.

We are also Offering

BARGAINS IN ALL LINES

Call and Compare our Prices.

This week we are offering some lines of

Tweed Dress Goods Worth up to \$1.15
per yard **at 25c**

GAETZ & GAETZ

GENERAL MERCHANTS - RED DEER.

A GENUINE SNAP

This is the last appearance of our ad, appealing
to you as Machine Agents. This will only
appear once, so if you wish to take advantage
of the good things going you will have to come
in this week. Here are some of them:

2 Hore Fanning Mills	at cost
1 4-horse Sweep Power, complete	at \$50.00
1 Machine Jack, with pulley	at 13.65
1 14-in. Brantford Breaker	at 12.00
1 Child's Upholstered Seat for Cutter	at 3.25
1 9-ft. McCormick Rake, second-hand, less teeth and shafts	at 8.50

These prices, gentlemen, you must recog-
nise are one hundred per cent. under wholesale
prices, but as we only have a week left to clean
up our stock, our loss is not considered.

Will also sell team of 5-year-old Geldings,
with Harness, Robe and Buggy, the latter two
just new, for \$325.00, or will take oats at 30c.
per bushel if delivered by Jan. 15th, 1910. You
cannot afford to lose this opportunity of getting
a Christmas Box.

Yours truly,

LATIMER & BOTTERILL.

MICHENER, CARSCALLEN & CO.

EXTEND TO ALL HEARTY GREETINGS

FOR

A Merry Christmas

AND


A Prosperous New Year


RED DEER, December 21, 1909.

FURNISHED ROOMS.
To Rent—two furnished Bedrooms and sitting-room.—Apply to
MRS. HADLEY, Nanton Ave.,
Nov. 23 rd (Opposite Alexander St.)


P. E. KENT
Red Deer.
Contractor for Wells, Cellars,
Fences, and all kinds of
Excavating.
ESTIMATES GIVEN

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PROMPTLY SECURED
We solicit the business of Manufacturers,
Engineers and others who realize the advisability
of having their Patent business transacted
by Experts. Preliminary advice free. Charges
moderate. Our Inventors' Advisers are
Messrs. Macdonald & Macdonald, 40, New York Life
Bldg., Montreal and Washington, D.C., U.S.A.


SMITH BROTHERS,
Gaetz Valley, Alta.
Dealers in Horses
and Cattle.
A good stock now on hand.


Harness
Saddles
Robes
and
Blankets
at
Bawtinheimer's
Gaetz Ave., RED DEER.

Canadian Pacific
ANNUAL EXCURSIONS
TO
U. S. POINTS
—
LOW ROUND TRIP RATES
TO
St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Chicago, Ill.; Council Bluffs, Des Moines, Marshalltown, Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Sioux City, Fort Dodge, Dubuque and Waterloo, Ia.; Omaha, Neb.; Kansas City, St. Joseph, and St. Louis, Mo.
Tickets on sale daily.
DEC. 1 to 31 INCLUSIVE
good to return within three months.
Apply to nearest C. P. Ry. Agent for information.

FOR SALE

We have a number of good, gentle Young Mares and Geldings, weighing from 800 to 1300 lbs.
A few Yearling and Two-year-old Steers
1 two-seated Surrey
1 one-seated Buggy
1 light Democrat
Several sets Work and Driving Harness, double and single
Also team Oxen and harness
Above articles all for Sale, or Exchange for cattle or most anything worth the money.
For particulars call at house opposite Staples Lumber Yard.
BAGLEY & SON

ESTRAY CATTLE.
Strayed on to the premises of the undersigned, a red heifer, white spot on forehead, and white under the flank, with her calf; also a three-year-old bull, dark red, shorthorn grade, with some white on right side. Owner can have same by paying expenses and taking them away.
L. PRENTICE.
On the J. Lewis homestead, near Industrial School.

RINK NEWS

The Rink is Open for Skating every Evening except Monday and Thursday for Hockey, and on Saturday afternoons from 2 to 4.30.

GOOD ICE
Rooms for Ladies and Gentlemen

Come & have a Good Time
Tickets may be had from S. MILLMAN and J. HALSTEAD at the Rink.

Hours from 7.30 to 10 p.m.
MILLMAN & HALSTEAD,
Managers

CANADIAN PACIFIC
ANNUAL
EASTERN CANADA EXCURSIONS

Low Round Trip Rates to—
Ontario, Quebec and Maritime Provinces.

Tickets on sale Dec. 1 to Dec. 31, inclusive, good to return within three months.

Tickets issued in connection Atlantic Steamship Business will be on sale from Nov. 21 and limited to one month from date of issue.

Finest Equipment. Standard First class and Tourist Sleeping Cars and Dining Cars on all Through Trains.

Compartments—Library—Observation Cars on "Imperial Limited" and "Atlantic Express."

3—THROUGH EXPRESS TRAINS DAILY—3

THE "TORONTO EXPRESS"
leaves Winnipeg daily at 22.00, making connections at Toronto for all points East and West thereof.

The "Imperial Limited" leaves Winnipeg daily at 18.15, and the "Atlantic Express" at 8.00 daily, making connections at Montreal for all points East thereof.

Apply at the nearest C.P.R. Agent for Full Particulars.

STEAM LAUNDRY
RATES FOR FAMILY WASHING:
Flat Work, 25 pieces for 50c.
VER 12 OR LESS THAN 24 PIECES:
Sheets 4c.
Tablecloths 5c.
Napkins 1 1/2c.
Pillow Slips 1 1/2c.
Towels 1 1/2c.
Roller Towels 2c.
Bed Spreads 5c.
Fannellette 10c. pair
Blankets, 10c. pair
Rough Dry, white or colored, 25c. per doz.
Flannels, 6c. to 15c. a Suit.
J. A. SPEIGHT, Prop.

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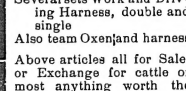
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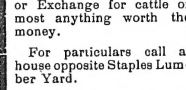
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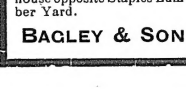
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Penhold U. F. A.
The annual meeting of the Penhold Union No. 13 of the U.F.A. was held in the school house on Saturday, Dec. 18, with a good attendance. The report of the Secretary for the past year was presented by the Secretary-Treasurer showing receipts to have been \$85.19, and expenditures \$65.75, leaving a balance on hand of \$19.44.
The Secretary also reported on business transacted by the union in flour, formalin, binder twine, etc., showing a saving of about \$200 to the members.
The report was adopted on motion of J. D. Bruhlman and R. Pye.

The following officers were elected for 1910:
President—T. Parcells
Vice President—S. Pye
Sec. Treas.—A. Speakman
Delegates to the convention at Edmonton—T. Parcells, S. Pye, A. Speakman, E. Carswell, A. Hives.

Substitute delegates—J. D. Bruhlman, J. Farrar, L. Oldford.
On motion of J. Farrar and R. Pye, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the retiring President, E. Carswell, the meeting much regretting the business compelled Mr. Carswell to withdraw from the leadership.

Time was too short for a thorough discussion of the program of the convention, and the delegates were pretty much left to follow their own judgment, the meeting, however, being strongly of the opinion that any resolution or amendment, tending to introduce party politics in the association should be opposed.

The following resolutions were adopted to be presented at the convention:
Moved by J. Farrar and S. Pye: That whereas this convention is strongly of opinion that the interests of the dairymen of Alberta will be best served by the co-operative creameries of this province remaining under government management, we regret to note the apparent tendency and desire of the provincial government to withdraw as far as possible from such management.

Moved by A. Hives and J. Farrar: That this association recognizes the good work already done by the provincial government, and realizing the vital importance of the western grain route to the grain growers of Alberta, urges the provincial government to further the scheme by all means in its power.

The meeting was then adjourned to Saturday, January 15th.
A. SPEAKMAN,
Sec. Treas.

Waiting for Word from Premier McBride

Alberta Cabinet Prepared to Co-operate With British Columbia

Premier Rutherford expects in a few days to receive word from Premier McBride of British Columbia, regarding his decision as to whether he will co-operate in the establishment of terminal elevators at Vancouver for the handling of Alberta grain via the western route, in connection with which Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works, was in conference with Premier McBride during last week at Victoria.

The construction of proper terminal facilities at the coast will be pushed with all possible speed as it is recognized by both governments that this is the initial step in the successful establishment of the western route.

In an interview Premier Rutherford stated that, if he been contented that the Alberta farmer can save 5 cents per bushel on his wheat by shipping it to the Old Country markets via Vancouver, even though the Panama canal is not yet completed. With proper facilities at the coast for handling the grain, and with the reasonable rates now in existence on the Central America, it was possible already for the western grain route to compete favorably with the eastern.

Whether the government ownership and operation of internal elevators in Alberta is necessary to the success of the western route is a matter for the future, was the statement of the Premier. The first step, he said, was to have proper facilities at the terminal points, and the question of internal elevators could be taken up later.

HOUSE TO LET.
Good sized house to let in Parkville, with furnace. Only \$10 a month for winter months.—Apply
H. MEERES, Firehall.

WANTED
Man or Youth, for farm, 28 miles west of town, winter months, permanent. Stage wages.—Apply
NEWS OFFICE.

BEAVERS' HOMES.
How the Ingenious Little Beavers Construct Their Houses.

When the beavers' dams are completed, the animals separate into small groups to build cabins or houses for themselves. These are constructed upon piles along the borders of the ponds. They are of an oval shape, resembling a beehive, and they vary from five feet to ten feet in diameter, according to the number of families they are to accommodate.

These dwellings are never less than two stories high, generally three, and sometimes they contain four apartments. The walls of these houses are made of two feet to three feet thick, formed of the same material as the dams. On the inside they are made smooth, but left rough without, being rendered impenetrable to rain.

The lower story is about two feet high, the second is formed by a floor of sticks covered with mud, and the upper part terminates with an arched roof. Through each floor there is a small opening, and the upper story is always above the level of the water.

Each of these huts has two doors, one on the land side to admit of their going out and seeking provisions that way, another under the water and below where it freezes to preserve their food.

They are constructed with the pond—English Magazine.

FLOATING A WHALE.
Inflating the Monster Carcass to Keep it on the Surface.

"Then began the work of bringing the whale to the surface and blowing it up so that it would float," says a writer in the popular magazine.

"Taking a hitch about a convenient post, the rope was slackened and run through a pulley block at the head to relieve the strain of raising the great body. The whale was set in motion, and for fifteen minutes nothing was heard save the monotonous creak as fathom after fathom of line was wound in. When the body was brought alongside the jobs of the hales were cut off and the great deck. Then a long coil of small rubber hose, one end of which was attached to a pump and the other to a hollow, spout pointed tube of steel with perforations along its entire length, was brought into play. The spout was lashed to the whale's side, the air pump was started, and the body slowly filled with air. When inflated sufficiently to keep it afloat, the tail was cut off, and the carcass cast off. A buoy with a flag was then attached to the carcass and the whale was left to drift to the end of the day's hunting."

What He Wanted.
Young Mr. Charles was plainly embarrassed, and Miss Smith knew what was coming, or thought she did.

"Er—Miss Smith," he said feebly, "could I—see your father for a moment or two?"

"Certainly, Mr. Charles!" And, excusing herself, she went out to the parlor. Presently the old man came in, and, after a short conversation with Mr. Charles, he stepped to the door and summoned his daughter.

Mr. Charles, whose face was radiant, said, "As I have a long ride before me, I think I will say good night."

"Oh, papa," pleaded the girl immediately her lover disappeared, "did he—did you?"

"I did," broke in the old man. His daughter fell on his neck and kissed him. He held her at arm's length.

"I did," he repeated. "I lent him fourpence to get home with, and what he wanted me for."—London Mail.

Origin of Surnames.
Surnames were introduced into England by the Normans and were adopted by the nobility about 1100. The old Normans used Fitz, which signifies son, as Fitzherbert. The Irish used O for grandson—O'Neil, O'Donnell.

The Scotch Highlander used Mac, as MacDonald, son of Donald. The Welsh used Ap, as Ap Rhys, the son of Rhys. Ap Richard. The prefix Ap eventually was combined with the name of the father, hence Prys, Pritchard, etc. The northern nations added the word son to the father's name, as Williamson.

Many of the most common surnames, such as Johnson, Wilson, Dyson, Nicholson, etc., were taken by Brabanten and others, Flemings, who were introduced in the reign of Henry VI, 1455.

The Gysomere.
The gysomere has been called the Egyptian fig tree. The date of its being planted in England is not known, but it was very early. Mary, queen of Scots, brought over from France a young gysomere, which she planted in the gardens of Holyrood, and from this have sprung all the beautiful groves of gysomeres now to be seen in Scotland.—St. James' Gazette.

His Dilemma.
"I'm in a difficulty over my girl," "What's wrong?"

"I've been saying such nice things to her that she's getting conceited. If I stop she'll think I don't care for her any longer, and if I go on she'll think she's too good for me."—London Mail.

A Previous Specimen.
He—If I'd known how sarcastic you were I never should have married you. She—You had a chance to notice it. Didn't I say, "This is so sudden." When you proposed to me after four years' courtship!—Boston Transcript.

A Heroine.
Ellie-Bella never passes a mirror without looking in it. Stella—Brave girl—Harper's Weekly.

DOCTOR CLOUD'S COLT.
Two-year-old bay gelding. This colt would make a good ladies' driver, sound speed, and is very gentle; \$100.00 gets him.
Geo. P. Jenkins, Red Deer, Dec. 20, 1909.

PIG ESTRAY.
W. R. Atkins has a stray sow in his premises. Owner can have it by paying expenses.
Red Deer, Dec. 21.

Red Deer Directory.

Council.
Mayor—Wm. Botterill
Councillors:
H. H. Gaetz
P. Pidgeon
Thos. Gaetz
F. H. Tallman
S. E. McKee
H. B. Hill
City Clerk, A. T. Stephenson.

Board of Trade.
President, R. C. Brumpton.
Secretary, M. A. Munroe.

School Board
F. S. Simpson.
R. H. Gaetz.
W. E. Payne.
A. Munroe.
J. A. Carswell.
Sec. Treas., M. A. Munroe.

Churches
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
(St. Luke's)
Rev. C. W. G. Moore, M.A.,
Oxon, Priest in charge, Service, every Sunday at 11 and 7.30.
Celebration of the Holy Communion every Sunday at 8 a.m. and also at 11 a.m. on 1st Sunday of every month.
Sunday School at 2.30.
Choir Practice, Thursday at 8.

PRESBYTERIAN
Minister, Rev. W. G. Brown, M.A., B.D.
Services, Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class at 3 p.m.
Young People's Meeting Monday evening at 8 p.m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday eve at 7.30. Choir Practice at 8.30.

BAPTIST
Rev. B. Goodfield, B.A. Pastor.
Services every Sunday 11 & 7.30
Sunday School & Bible Class 2.30
Prayer Meeting Wed. even. at 8.
Choir Practice Friday at 8.

METHODIST
Rev. C. H. Huostis, M.A., Pastor
Services, Sunday, 11 and 7.30
Sunday School and Bible Class 2.30.
Wednesday evening, Epworth League and Prayer Meeting
Wednesday, Junior League 4.15

ROMAN CATHOLIC.
(Sacred Heart, North Red Deer)
Priest in charge: Rev. Father H. Voisin, S.M.T., M.A.
Holy communion every Sunday between 8 and 9 a.m.
High Mass every Sunday at 10.30 a.m.
Sunday School at 3 and 4 p.m.
Benediction at 5 p.m.

PENHOLD METHODIST CHURCH.
Rev. W. M. Scott, Pastor.
Services held at:
Antler Hill, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11.15 a.m.
Westholm, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 3 p.m.
Horn Hill, every Sunday at 3 p.m.
Penhold, every Sunday at 7.30 p.m.
You are cordially invited to worship with us.

CHALMER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PENHOLD.
Rev. L. Ernest Gelling.
Service every Sabbath at 11 a.m. S.S. and Bible Class at 10.15 a.m.
Ridgewood church at 3 p.m.
Big Bend, alternate Sabbaths, at 7.30 p.m.

Association Ltd.
President, Hy. Jamieson.
Secretary, R. B. Welliver.

Railway Time Table

arr. dep.
North-bound - 11.38 11.48 a.m.
- 18.31 18.41 p.m.
South-bound - 12.04 12.14 p.m.
- 18.21 18.31 p.m.

Night trains carry regular mail and mail for larger points on C&E.

FENDERS FOR WOOD.
Tenders will be received by the undersigned for 50 cords of dry seasoned wood, cut in 3 foot and half lengths, and delivered at schools: wood to be subject to inspection. Tenders to be in by Jan. 1st, 1910. (Marked tenders only.)
M. A. MUNRO, Sec. Treas. Dec. 14, 2w.

CHEAP LAND.

24 quarter sections for sale cheap, consisting of 12 quarters at Red Deer, 5 quarters at Water Glen, 20 miles east of Ponoka; 5 quarters, 1 mile from Red Deer; 1 quarter, 8 miles north of Red Deer, 1 mile from Earlville creamery. This land will be sold at low price and on long time. Horses and cattle taken as down payment. Apply to the owner—
GEO. F. ROOT, Red Deer.

For Sale or Rent.
N. E. 1/4 28-7-28, 6 miles from Red Deer, 15 acres broken, and a splendid range for stock. Rent may be applied on purchase price at end of term if desired. Apply to
STEWART BROS.,
Lumber and Implement Dealers, Penhold.

Farm For Sale.
First class farm for sale within easy range of town, includes a few acres of good frame house and farm buildings. Will sell on easy terms. Close to post office and school. For more information apply to News Office.
Aug. 10th, 1909.

THE COAL QUESTION SETTLED.
Having made arrangements for a regular delivery from the Red Deer mines, and with the undersigned will receive prompt attention. Price as low as any.
care of R. B. Welliver's office.
Dec. 14.

STRAYED.
2 blackish mares, branded R.U. on right shoulder and a C on right hip, one with sucking colt; last seen 10 miles east of Red Deer. Any information leading to recovery will be rewarded.
GORDON SPECK, Penhold P. O. Dec. 14, 13w.

ESTRAY.
On the premises of J. Arneson, on N.E. 1/4 Sec. 10-38-1, W. 5th, Burnt Lake, since Dec. 1st, 1909, one yearling bull, dark red, no visible brand; one steer, 3 yrs. old, since Dec. 10th, 1909, dark red, long horns, branded T.E. bar under; one heifer, since Nov. 20th, 1909, two yrs. old, red and white spots, no visible brand; one mare, about 3 yrs. old, since Dec. 1st, 1909, roan, also on forehead, no visible brand. Owners can take delivery on payment of costs.

To the People of Red Deer:
Ladies and Gentlemen—
We, the undersigned, wish to announce to the people of Red Deer that we have leased a coal mine on the Wilkins' estate, and that we are now ready to supply any amount of coal that is required.
We are independent of car shortage and labor troubles.
Our coal will arrive in town every day—six days in the week.
We guarantee the coal absolutely clean, no clay and no shale.
For further particulars apply to M. A. Munroe.
Hoping to be favored with your support, we are,
Yours respectfully,
HY. REINHOLT & SON.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

We have a choice stock of
Fancy Box Chocolates
Crystallized Fruits
and all kinds of the best Candies & Nuts to be found in town.

Japanese Oranges
Malaya Grapes
Figs, Table Raisins, Etc.

TOYS OF ALL KINDS.
SMOKERS' SETS, CIGARS
and a large stock of PIPES.

All of the above are acceptable Xmas Gifts.

D. G. HORN,
Confectioner.

R. E. LAURENCE,
Livestockman.

Old Sage Barn, Mann St.

Having purchased the Tilden Livery, I will conduct a Livery business at the Sage Barn, where first-class teams or single drivers can be procured at all times.

BALED HAY AND GRAIN FOR SALE.

Post Office Guide.

Doors open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
General Delivery Wicket open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Money Order Wicket open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Mails are due to arrive as follows:
From South, daily, 11.38 a.m.
From North, daily, except Sunday, 6.31 p.m.
From North, daily, except Sunday, 12.04 p.m.
From North, daily, 6.21 p.m.

Out-going mails close thirty minutes before train time in each instance.

Registered mails close at 11 a.m. for noon trains and 4.35 and 6 p.m. for night trains.

Mails arrive from Evans, Eekville, Burnt Lake, Leesville, Phoenix, Solihull, and Sylvan Lake at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, and leave at 2 p.m. same days.

Mails leaves for Coal Banks, Hillsdown and Gaetz Valley at 8.30 on Tuesday and Friday and arrive at 5.30 on Wednesday and Saturday.

Lifebuoy Soap is delightfully refreshing for bath and toilet. For washing underclothing it is unequalled. Cleanses and purifies.

Money to Loan
On improved farm and town property. Reasonable rates of interest. Moore & Durie, Red Deer.

FOR SALE.
Fifteen Berkshire hogs; ten Short-horn bulls. They are finely bred, well grown out, and will be sold cheap. GEO. F. ROOT, Red Deer. Red Deer, Nov. 16, 1f.

FOR SALE.
Good working Pony—Apply N.W. 1, 2-38-20 ROBERT TEMPLE, Nov. 17, 4w.

Milk & Cream.

We are giving our customers the very best to be obtained in these products.

We appreciate the kind words of commendation frequently given us by our customers, and we are sparing no pains to give pure, wholesome and rich milk and cream, and Satisfaction to All.

Try us and you will be satisfied.
MILK - 7c. Quart.
CREAM - 40c. "

Wilson & Brown.

Desmarchais & Fyfe

PLUMBERS, STEAMFITTERS, VENTILATING ENGINEERS.

Estimates given. Work promptly attended to.

Orders can be left at F. H. Tallman Hardware Store.

Shop next F. H. Tallman's.

W. T. Shuttleworth, of Gaetz Valley, arrived last week with a car load of:

REGISTERED STOCK FROM ONTARIO.
21 sheep and 11 head of cattle.
10 Shropshire Rams
6 Leicester
5 Ewes
5 Ayrshire Females
3 Males
3 Shorthorn

The shipment includes the 3rd Prize Yearling Ayrshire bull at Toronto, and also prize-winning sheep at different fairs in Ontario.

Any or all of the above stock is for sale at reasonable prices.

W. T. Shuttleworth,
Gaetz Valley, Alta.

TALES FROM THE GOLDEN WEST.



1909
Is Now Nearing The Close:
Its Trials and Troubles,
Its Worries and Woes
Are a Thing of The Past:
Let's Forget Them.

1910
Slowly Rises to View
With Hundreds of Blessings
And Pleasures for You,
And Good Things Galore:
If You Open The Door,
And Let Them Come in,
Then Just Let Them.
And Among The Best Things
That are Right at Your Hand
are

Old Royal Crown,
The Best Soap in The Land
And The Beautiful Premiums for Coupons.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29th, 1909.

THE PORK PACKING PLANT.

It is a well known fact that the late Minister of agriculture, Mr. Finlay, was in favor of the establishment of the pork packing plant at Red Deer.

It is also pretty well understood that the new Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Duncan Marshall, took the portfolio with the understanding that the pork packing idea had to be carried out.

That Red Deer is the most central, the most convenient and the most likely point at which to establish a packing plant between Edmonton and Calgary goes without saying. We have the purest water in Alberta, the light, the power, the sewerage, the railway divisional point, and the mixed farming country to raise hogs in our favor.

But Senator Peter Tabor has to be reckoned with in our opinion. Now that he has been turned down sold by the Provincial Government with regard to the Agricultural College it looks very much as though he was trimming his sails for the pork packing plant for Lacombe. His great interest in the new Minister of Agriculture, his trip east with him, his evident effort to associate with him on every and all occasions leads one to think there is something in the wind. We would advise the Hon. Duncan Marshall to keep his weather eye open and to be guided by the report of the Beef Commission and later the Pork Packing Commission.

LIBERAL CAMPAIGN FUNDS.

A strange case is now before the Public Accounts Committee, Ottawa. While it does not involve a huge sum of money it provides one of the clearest examples of how campaign funds are created in the Maritime Provinces, and it serves to show how Hon. Wm. Pugsley is conducting the business of the Public Works Dept.

Mr. O'Leary, a wealthy resident of Richibucto, N.B., sold a wharf for \$700. to Mr. Murray, manager of the Kent County Railway, and shortly afterwards Mr. Murray sold it to the Public Works Dept. for \$5,000.00. The people of Canada therefore had to pay \$5,000.00 for what they could have obtained for \$700. if the Public Works Dept., controlled by Mr. Pugsley, had been honest.

It is stated that Mr. Murray only profited some \$300 by the transaction and that the balance went into the hands of the Liberal party managers of New Brunswick. The case was only accidentally disclosed and it is fair to assume that there must be many

more such cases throughout the country which have never come to light. This wharf was not even required by the people of Richibucto; the deal was only made in order to raise campaign funds. If the people of Canada like this sort of thing they must be a long suffering race. More will be heard of the "Sawdust Wharf" episode.

THE NAVY AND THE EMPIRE

It is claimed by the Winnipeg Tribune, the Independent Liberal organ of that city, that the trend of the agitation for a Canadian navy is all towards Canadian independence and shows that the principal leaders in the movement are all from Quebec. Henry Bourassa, the brilliant Canadian Nationalist, J. D. Monk, the Quebec Conservative leader, Arthur Dansereau, editor of the most influential French newspaper in Quebec, La Presse, Sir Wilfred Laurier, representing all shades of politics, are agreed that not a cent goes to the British navy.

Mr. Bourassa contends that French Canadians, being the old-Canadians, have the right to demand that such questions as the one now uppermost in the minds of the people, should be studied from the point of view of Canadians for the benefit of Canada. It is quite conceivable that Mr. Bourassa (and the other men mentioned above) on an Empire question, cannot have the same feelings as stay a man who came from the motherland of Britain, or whose ancestors were British.

So long as Canada is a British country, a member of the British Empire, we believe Canadians should be really British, in spirit and in action. If Sir Wilfred Laurier, Mr. Bourassa, Mr. Monk, Mr. Dansereau, and the vast majority in Quebec, to whom the political leaders cater so carefully and so naturally, believe that the time has come for the independence of Canada, no one will rise to say that there is anything traitorous in their belief. Men have a right to their individual and collective opinions. But let us be plainly understood where they stand.

Do not allow Sir Wilfred Laurier's government to foist a Canadian navy on the Canadian people under the pretence that it is the naval policy best designed to help the Empire or even Canada. That is nonsense.

Sir Wilfred does not possess the courage of Mr. Bourassa, though he thinks exactly like Mr. Bourassa. Sir Wilfred makes fine speeches to soothe the unsuspecting partisan into a belief that his policy is a British policy, while at the same time he proposes to take a step that will fur-

ther alienate Canada from the Motherland. Sir Wilfred's cry of liberty, freedom of action, management of all of our own affairs, etc., is, in reference to naval matters, mere clap-trap, dust thrown in the eyes of British-blooded Canadians, who have not yet stopped to think for themselves.

French-Canadians and all other peoples in this Dominion have, of course, the full rights of citizenship. It must not be forgotten that the majority of enfranchised electors of Canada should direct its affairs.

It should never be forgotten that Canada is still a British country. Canada is not half-British and half-French, Canada is BRITISH.

Let a splendid spirit of compromise prevail in matters of government, but, in heaven's name, call a halt to any COMPROMISE when the very existence of the Empire is at stake.

If the people in this Dominion are in favour of continued British connection they will smash the Tin Pot naval policy of the Laurier government, designed, not to accord with the wishes of the majority, but to compromise with the leaders of a minority who are now giving free expression to their views on the future relation of Canada in Empire affairs.

The Capital is the name of a new daily started at Edmonton by A. B. Watt, the able editor of the Saturday News. A man can have too much of a good thing, and we fancy Bro. Watt will have his hands full, for a time at least, with his several publications. The Capital is bright, newswy and clean, and we welcome it to the sanctum.

One of the newest papers on our Exchange list is the *Castor Advance*, a paper published by Frank Whiteside, well known as a former president of the Stock Growers' Association. The paper is bright and newswy, and now Frank will be able to show us older fellows how to run a paper.

Edwell U. F. A.

The annual general meeting of Edwell Union No. 53 was held in the schoolhouse on Monday, Dec. 20th, under the chairmanship of the President, H. A. Crocker. The meeting was very well attended, and after the disposal of the minutes, the following were elected members: Wm. Sim, Edwell; E. H. Hill, Hill End; F. Smith, Edwell; Andrew Macdonald, Edwell; S. Wyndham, Pine Lake; Thos. V. Hobbs, Edwell; A. Cuddy, Hill End; W. Duocman, Hill End; bringing the total membership up to 53, which is a good start for the new year.

The secretary read the financial statement for the past year, the adoption of which was moved by J. Comer and seconded by R. V. Bromley.

The following stock was reported for sale: N. McPhee, Edwell, a heavy Clyde stallion.

H. Crocker, 1 registered Angus bull and 1 gray Shorthorn bull. E. Pixley, Hill End, 1 purebred Angus bull and 1 purebred Shorthorn bull, also 6 dairy cows.

Circular No. 18 from the chief executive was read, and discussion thereon waxed fast and furious, and resolutions as to how the delegates should vote thereon at the annual convention passed.

The secretary was ordered to forward the following notices of motions for annual convention: "That the government of Alberta be requested to reintroduce the bounty on coyotes and timber wolves."

"That the government of Alberta be approached with regard to taking some steps to obtain machinery and implements for the farmers at a lower cost than at present."

The following delegates were balloted for to attend the convention: H. A. Crocker, E. H. Pixley, T. J. Walton and F. J. Powell.

After this part of the business had been settled the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, resulting as follows: President, J. Comer.

Vice President, H. A. Crocker. Sec'y-Treas., F. J. Powell. Directors, E. H. Pixley, T. J. Walton, Neil McPhee, R. Gummow, F. J. Watson, H. Field.

This concluded the business of the meeting, but before dispersing it was moved, seconded and carried unanimously that the sum of \$10 be handed to the secretary out of the funds of the Union in recognition of his services during the past year. The secretary would remind all members that

the monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 12th, 1910, at 7.30, when a large attendance is looked for. Orders for U.F.A. buttons should be addressed to the secretary.

FRED. JAS. POWELL,
Secretary.

A GAS LEAK.

After Results That May Come From Hunting It With a Light. The story of hunting for a leak in a gas pipe with a lighted match is not so much because of the danger of an explosion as of other damage, as is shown by the experience of a householder not long ago.

One or two small leaks were detected by going over all the pipes and holding a lighted match to them. The smell of gas ceased, but was replaced a few hours later by the smell of burning wood.

Another visit to the cellar showed a charred floor joist a little distance above a gas pipe. There was no apparent cause for this until a very close examination resulted in the finding of a tiny jet of gas which was issuing from the pipe beneath the beam.

It was lighted, but was so small as to be blue in color and nearly invisible. It had been lighted by the match used in the first investigation, but had not been noticed.

"If that leak had happened to be in a lead joint instead of an iron connection," said a gas man, "there would probably have been work for the fire brigade. The smallest possible jet of lighted gas issuing through lead will in time heat and melt the lead and make the leak larger until a big flame is issuing."

"This may make a fire hours later in the dead of night or in the winter when no one is in the house. The only proper way to look for these very small leaks is to paint the suspected pipe with a smooth soap solution. Just as in the case of a bicycle tire, the thinnest leak will blow a bubble in the latter, and there you are."—London Telegraph.

MEXICAN JACALS.

Primitive Huts in the Villages of the Native Indians.

The Mexican Indian huts in the villages and upon the ranches of the lower Rio Grande border region of Texas have a style of architecture and construction that is distinctly their own. This type of primitive building is rapidly passing out of existence. At many places on the border families of Mexicans have abandoned their jacals and moved into more pretentious houses.

No money outlay is necessary in erecting the old style picturesque structures; neither is a knowledge of carpentry needed. A double row of upright poles firmly set or driven into the ground forms the framework for the walls. Between these two rows of poles are placed other poles or sticks of shorter length, forming a thick and compact wall. At each of the four corners of the building posts are set, reaching to a height of about eight feet. Roughly heavy stringers are laid from one post to another, and to these stringers are tied other poles that form the framework of the walls. The stringer fiber from the mesquite plant or strips of buckskin are used to tie the poles into position. The rafters are tied to the ridgepole and the stringers in the same manner. At one end of the building is built the opening through which the smoke of the inside fire may ascend. Stoves are unknown among these Mexicans, and the cooking is all done upon the ground.—Kansas City Star.

She Was Slow.

The shop assistant had shown and reshown the toys to the undecided shopper.

Rabbits, monkeys, jacks-in-the-box, jumping jacks, trains, velocipedes—everything had been displayed, manipulated, operated and explained to the shopper, but still she could not make up her mind.

"I wanted to get something suitable for my little nephew," she reiterated for the hundredth time. "Yes, madam," responded the weary assistant. "You told me that when you came in, but I think your nephew has outgrown all these toys while you have been in this counter."—London Opinion.

His Translation.

A dignified elder of an Australian church was presiding at a charitable concert. A Miss Brown was to sing "Ora Pro Nobis," but at the last moment she changed her mind, and a note was passed to the chairman intimating that she would give "The Song That Reached My Heart."

He therefore made the following announcement: "Miss Brown will now sing 'Ora Pro Nobis,' which, being translated, means 'The Song That Reached My Heart.'"—London Chronicle.

No Hurry.

He—Then you have decided to accept the proffer of my heart and hand? She—Yes, dear. He—Thank! You have made me the happiest of men, but we must have some regard for the old maxim and not be married in haste. She—Don't worry about that. I am perfectly willing to wait till next week.—Los Angeles Times.

Maple Drop Cakes.

Two cups of maple sirup, one-half cup of cream or milk, two eggs, one-half cup of melted butter, one teaspoonful of baking powder, flour enough to make a soft batter. Bake in gem pans.—Good Housekeeping.

The Announcement Followed.

She—They say there are germs in kisses. Now, what do you suppose a girl could catch that way? He—A husband.—Ladies' Home Journal.

A pound of cure will not pay an ounce of debt.—Dutch Proverb.

Money to Loan.

Money to loan on farm property, improved or unimproved, at low rate on the straight loan system. J. L. CRAWFORD, Barrister, Post Office Block, Red Deer.

Harold J. Snell

Has pleasure in stating that he has had a very successful Season's business

AND

Begs to thank his many Friends and Customers for their kind Patronage.

Wishing You All

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

HAROLD J. SNELL

JEWELLER, OPTICIAN, ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

We wish all our Customers and Friends who have supported us so loyally the past year "A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!"

The past season has been the best we have had in Red Deer, and the past two weeks' holiday trade far in advance of anything we had hoped for.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY DECEMBER 30TH AND 31ST

We intend making a general clean-up of what few lines we have left over of our holiday goods. If you have omitted giving any one a present and would yet like to do so, now will be your chance.

Linens Half Price

A nice assortment of fine Irish Linens in Tray Cloths, Tea Cloths, Table Covers and Doilies. All on sale Thursday and Friday HALF PRICE.

Ladies' Fancy Collars, 25c

About 3 doz. Fancy Collars, all this season's goods; very new and natty. Regular value, 50c and 60c. CLEARING PRICE, 25c.

Ladies' Fancy Collars, 50c

3 doz. Fancy Collars, our regular 75c. and \$1.00 lines. Every one this season's goods. ALL AT ONE PRICE, 50c.

Ladies' Fancy Belts, 25c

4 doz. in the lot in pretty Wash Goods, Silk and Elastic lines. Worth 35c to 50c. ALL ONE PRICE, 25c.

Ladies' Fancy Belts, 50c

A nice assortment to choose from lines regularly sold at 75c and \$1.00. YOUR CHOICE, 50c.

Ladies' Fancy Handkfs., 2 for 25c

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AN EVIL DAY APPROACHING.

Mr. J. A. Currie, M.P., Warns the Canadian People that the Day is at Hand.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—An evil day is approaching for Canada, and it is probable that after the next general election when "Laurier has finished his work" the Conservative party will be left with a tangled mass of false financing to unravel. In spite of the repeated announcements by Hon. W. S. Fielding, since he became Minister of Finance in 1890, and that year after year he had to chronicle extraordinary surpluses, the bare fact remains that during his regime he has only had a surplus on four occasions while on ten occasions he has had large deficits. The total deficits during the Liberal regime are \$85,067,688, and the total surpluses \$15,113,128, leaving a net deficit of \$70,885,400. The total addition to capital account since Confederation has been \$372,635,315 and, as Mr. Fielding has added \$172,392,154 of this sum, it means that the additions made by the previous Conservative and Liberal Administrations amount to about \$200,000,000.

For its share of these expenditures the Conservative Government can show the Canadian Pacific Railway, the north west lands, the Welland Canal, the St. Lawrence Canal and the Intercolonial Railway. These are all substantial assets, many of them yielding an actual return. In the majority of cases these were capital expenditures in the true sense, but, so far as the Capital Expenditure of the Liberal party is concerned, there is not a single public enterprise which can be placed in the same category from which the country is getting any return.

Major Currie of Simcoe, one of the young members of the House, but who already may lay claim to be called one of the authorities of Parliament on financial questions, made a careful analysis of the position of Canada during the budget debate, and the warning which he gave may do some good. He pointed out that Mr. Fielding's system had been condemned so long ago as the days of Pitt and by that eminent authority himself. Mr. Currie showed conclusively that an evil day is approaching without any question. To-day there is an adverse balance of two hundred millions against Canada and that money has to be paid back somehow. Mr. Fielding has made no attempt to pay it back, but by borrowing money, the people of Canada meanwhile having to foot the bill.

The most startling situation lies in the fact that Canada has to pay more for her loans than has Australia. It is apparent therefore that, while Mr. Fielding has been able to hoodwink the Canadian public, he has not

been able to impose upon the trustees of the English money market. His system is simply this: in order to declare a surplus he places enough expenditures to do so to Capital Account or special expenditures. Thus last year he declared a surplus of a million while the fact was that he had a deficit of forty-five millions. This year he estimates a surplus of sixteen millions, but the fact remains that he will have a deficit of over seventeen millions. The system is simply dishonest and in Great Britain was rendered impossible by William Pitt, by Act of Parliament. No private individual who conducted his enterprise on such a basis would be able long to evade the claims of the law.

Orton Snider Seriously Hurt.

Chief Meeres has received word from Melville North, formerly driver of the first team, of a very serious accident to Orton Snider formerly of the Brigade and well known in Red Deer. Snider was working on a railway bridge ten miles west of Camrose, when he fell, breaking a leg, an arm, and dislocating a shoulder. It was not known whether or not he had suffered internal injuries. Mr. North drove the injured man to Camrose for medical treatment. The Brigade sent Christmas remembrances to Orton Snider, and also to Arthur Carswell.

The Moving Pictures.

The pictures Christmas day were up to the usual standard. A choice selection of pictures was shown among which "A collection of postage stamps" was the pick of the program. For New Year's day a special program has been selected and those who wish to spend an enjoyable hour should not fail to see the pictures, either at the matinee or evening show. Something which ought to suit everyone.

The program will run as follows, "Bird Nesting," "A Sea Drama," illustrated song, "Down in Jungle Town," "The Legend of the Light House," "The Clouds," "The Minister." If you have not yet seen the moving pictures, just ask your friends what they think of them. Seeing is believing.

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They Want to Find Santa Claus.

Victoria Avenue, 27th Dec., '09.
Dear Mr. Editor:—
Dorothy and I are sure you would be interested to know that Santa Claus came specially to see us on Christmas Eve. We did not know he was coming and were almost frightened, at first hearing our names mentioned and then turning round to see a big, shining Christmas tree filling the doorway. It was so large it would hardly come into the room.

We could not quite tell you how Santa Claus was dressed, because of the tree, nor his son, who was close behind with an armful of parcels, and who hurried off outside again, at once, to bring in some more. We have had Christmas trees before, but never one so large and with so many presents as this. We do not yet know what some of the parcels contain, as we want other children and schoolmates and anyone who may call to see the tree just as it was brought to us.

After wishing us a very happy Christmas and placing the tree in the middle of the room, Santa Claus looked at our Christmas pudding boiling on the stove, and then, with a laugh, gently closed the door after him and was gone, as quietly as he came. That beautiful Christmas tree, really, then, for us, because the parcels had our name on them.

Dada says editors of newspapers know almost everything, so if you really know where Santa Claus lives, perhaps you would please tell him, some time, how very happy he has made us feel this Christmas time.

We think we should be happier still if we also knew where he came from.
Dear God Santa Claus.
Happy little citizens of Yours,
KATHLEEN AND DOROTHY SLEATH.
P.S.—Apart from the honor of the special call by Santa Claus, it is quite evident that we are hands and probably hearts behind the visitation that merit something more than expressions of gratitude, no matter how sincere, by the writer.

If, therefore, with a view to giving practical proof of my deep appreciation of the successful efforts made by some unknown person or persons, to assure the happiness of my two children this Christmas-tide, you would be good enough, sir, to undertake, on my behalf, to hand to them, on their please establishing their identity to you, the herewith small monetary enclosure, to be used by them as they may think well in any charitable or other good work, I should esteem it a great favor.

JOHN SLEATH, Parent.

The Grain Markets.

(Furnished the News by the Alberta Pacific Elevator Co.)
The following prices will govern at all stations on the C. & E. railway, Macleod to Strathcona, both inclusive; also at stations on the Crow's Nest line west of Macleod and on the main line between Calgary and Strathmore:

WINTER WHEAT.	
No. 1 red	80
No. 2 red	77
No. 3 red	74
No. 4 red	78
No. 5 red	62
No. 1 rejected red	67
No. 2 rejected red	62
No. 3 rejected red	60
No. 1 white	80
No. 2 white	77
No. 3 white	74
No. 4 white	67
No. 5 white	70
No. 1 rejected white	67
No. 2 rejected white	62
No. 3 rejected white	60
SPRING WHEAT.	
No. 1 northern	80
No. 2 northern	77
No. 3 northern	74
No. 4 northern	68
No. 5 northern	62
No. 1 rejected northern	70
No. 2 rejected northern	67
No. 3 rejected northern	65
Oats, 38 lb. and over	67
No. 3 barley	35
Flax	1.20

WILD ELEPHANTS.

A Herd's Successful Raid on a Granary in Ceylon.

Some soldiers stationed at an outpost in Ceylon, says a Colombo paper, to protect a granary containing a large quantity of rice were sent off a few miles to quiet some unruly villagers, only two of the party remaining behind. No sooner had the soldiers departed than a herd of wild elephants, which had long been wandering about the neighborhood, appeared in front of the granary. Its walls were of solid brickwork, very thick, and the only opening into the building was in the center of the roof, which was reached by a ladder. On the approach of the elephants the two men clambered up into a lofty banyan tree to escape injury. Screened by the thick foliage, though unseen by the elephants, they easily saw all that went on below. The sagacious animals began operations at the corners of the building. Two powerful elephants, after putting forth every effort, but in vain, to make an impression on the building, were forced to retire exhausted. A third came forward, and applying his tusks as levers, he at length succeeded in dislodging a single brick. An opening once made, others of the herd advanced, and soon an entrance was obtained sufficiently large to admit them. As the whole company could not be accommodated at once, they divided into small groups of three or four. After satisfying themselves they retired and gave place to others until the whole herd, upward of twenty, had made a full meal. By this time a shrill sound was heard from one of the elephants, and those still in the granary rushed out and joined their companions. One of the first divisions, after leaving the building, had acted as sentinel while the others were taking their turn. He had perceived the troops retreating from the village and gave the signal for retreat, when the whole herd, flourishing their trunks, moved rapidly into the jungle.

DAYS OF THE WEEK.

At One Time They Were Designated Merely by Numbers.

Formerly the days of the week were numbered one, two, three, four, five and six, beginning with the Sabbath. Even now the custom still prevails among certain modern Greeks, the Armenians and the Persians. Many of the old-fashioned orthodox Quakers, particularly in the north of England, still hold to this custom, which was the common use in the days of the apostles and down to the fourth century as well as usual among the Jews and the Arabs. The orthodox Quakers use the numerical system in preference to the ordinary on the ground that the gods and goddesses, from whom the names were taken, were not of the highest respectability in pagan mythology.

The week was originally only a convenient quarter of the lunar month; hence it began on Monday, or moon day. The Italians still call Monday the first and Sunday the seventh day of the week. Tuesday is derived from the Norse Tiw, who corresponded to Mars, the god of war, a most respectable person in the eyes of Quakers. Thursday was Thor's day, Thor being a god warrior who was morally no better than he ought to be. Wednesday, again, was Woden's day. Woden being the god of battle rage. The Romans called this day Mercury's. Friday was supposed to be the luckiest day of the week—for women. It was called after the Norse Frigg, the goddess of love, and is the best day for wedding. For the pagan Romans it was also the day of Venus, though the Christians called it the day of ill luck because Christ had been crucified on that day. Saturday was called after Saturn, and Sunday was known to the Christians as resurrection or sun day.

The week of seven days was imported from Alexandria into Greece and into Italy about the time of Christ. The Greeks had previously divided their month into sets of ten days, the Romans into sets of eight days, three and a half sets being equal to one month.—New York World.

An Author's Initials.
Initials are sometimes the resort of the writer who is anxious to conceal his identity, and to glance through any one of the 700 volumes that comprise the catalogue of the British museum reading room will discover some strange instances. A theological book, entitled "Inquiry into the Meaning of Demons in the New Testament," is attributed to T. P. A. P. O. A. B. L. C. O. S. The real author was a certain Arthur Sykes, and the initials reveal his position as "the precursor and prebendary of Alton Borealis in the church at Salisbury."—London Chronicle.

Revenge. Jilted for the aged millionaire played a spiteful trick at her wedding.
"What did he do?"
"Instead of playing them up the aisle with the wedding march, he struck up 'Old Hundred.'"—Boston Transcript.

Prospects Brilliant.
"I see you got married yesterday. Choice. Are your prospects brilliant?"
"Yess. My husband's friends brought me to my warden's."—Circus Magazine.

This world is to the sharpest, heaven to the most worthy.—Hamilton.

Colin Broughton returned from Morrissey, B. C. for the Xmas holidays.

For Sale.

A GENUINE SNAP—One located Scrip, south-west quarter 27-32-20, and north-west quarter 22-32-20; owner leaving country. Price \$700, quick sale. South of Afton. Scrip bought quote us your lowest price. Vethemil & Weir, 218 Ninth avenue east, Calgary. Phone 2135. Dec. 22, 1909. 4w.

Blindman U. F. A.

The annual meeting of the Blindman Union No. 65 of the United Farmers of Alberta, was held on the 22nd inst. There was only a fair attendance of members. It was decided to carry on the union for the ensuing year. The following officers were elected:
President: J. Barron
Vice-Pres: R. J. Atwood
Sec-Treas: E. A. Wigmore
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Regular	10c each		
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Former Price	2.25	2.50	2.75
Sale Price	1.90	2.05	2.15

Men's Leather Shoes			
A great range of styles, your choice up to 6.75, for	3.95		

Men's Fancy Vests			
Former price	3.00	4.50	7.50
Sale price	1.85	3.50	5.50

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Sale price	.85		

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THE BRAND LAW.

Very Important Decision to Cattle Men

BRAND ON CATTLE IS EVIDENCE OF OWNERSHIP

The case of the crown against Jack Dubois, accused of cattle stealing, was decided Tuesday last week by the supreme court justices, sitting en banc, in favor of the crown, which had appealed from a decision of the supreme court justice N. D. Beck handed down at Red Deer last August, dismissing the action brought by the crown. The action has attracted widespread attention, not only from stockmen, but from the legal fraternity, because it is the first criminal case which has ever been carried to the court of appeal in this province by the crown. The interpretation of the law made by the court will be of material assistance to the crown in prosecuting cattle thieves in the future.

Justice Beck dismissed the action on the grounds that the prosecution had not shown sufficient evidence of possession by the defendant. Chief Justice Sifton holds, and his opinion is concurred in by justices Harvey, Stuart and Beck, that it was a mis-trial, and that a new trial should be directed.

The steer over which the action was brought, was found in the possession of Dubois, May 9th, last. It was marked with the Hatley Ranch Company's brand, and was three years old. When found it was in a herd of animals belonging to the defendant, 70 miles from the Hatley range. The herd was in charge of Dubois' 18-year-old son, and was being driven towards the Dubois barn. The steer in question had been missing a long time. After stating the facts in the case, chief justice Sifton calls attention to two points of law:

1. That when cattle are branded and the brand recorded it is prima facie evidence that the cattle are the property of the registered owner.

2. The accused must prove that the cattle came into his possession lawfully unless he can show that he came by them without his knowledge, sanction or approval.

The stockman accused is admittedly of long and varied experience in all ranges in this country, and the continent and I think it may be taken as an axiom that no honest stockman will brand a 3-year-old steer unless he has lately purchased it from a known and reputable person, and even then it would be much wiser if he did exercise care and see that no so-called accidental sale.

According to the evidence, it would appear that many alleged respectable ranchers and stockbuyers do sell, do ship, do kill and do brand cattle which do not belong to them and when found out, pay for them, which raises a strong presumption that there may be numerous cases which, not being found out soon enough, result in financial benefit to the so-called respectable people, and undoubtedly place them in the position of being cattle thieves under section 689 of the criminal code. And I am unable to see that the evidence places Dubois in any better position.

Dubois has been arrested six times before on a charge of stealing cattle, but he has always escaped conviction.

The court Tuesday afternoon decided a number of civil cases from Edmonton, but announced that the decisions in the Calgary cases that have been heard before it during the last ten days will not be made until January 18th, at Edmonton.

Public Ownership of the Hudson Bay Railroad.

(Winnipeg Tribune.)

The resolution calling upon the Dominion Government to construct and retain the ownership of the Hudson Bay railroad, which was passed unanimously last night at the meeting of the Liberal Association, is a hopeful sign. It shows that the progressive element in this association, while it has been latent for many years, is certainly not dead, and that all that is necessary to fan it into flame is action on the part of some of the leaders.

There have been disturbing rumors for a long time that the Dominion Government intended to hand over the construction of this road to one of the big railroad corporations, thus allowing the ownership and control to pass from the hands of the Government. The Government will, of course, pay the piper, as it has done in every instance where it has undertaken to secure the construction of railways. The Canadian railway policy has always been of the most vicious character. The people have built the roads and then they have been turned over to the railway corporations, which have put in

any rates they chose. The action of the local Liberal Association in passing its resolution, was no doubt influenced by the report above mentioned, that the Government was going to deal with some corporation. In view of this, the passing of the resolution is, as we have already said, a hopeful sign. The Liberals have allowed themselves to fade into the background, practically, on all policies where the people's rights were at stake. It would be difficult to conceive of a more vicious policy than that which has been pursued by the Government on many of the questions of deepest concern to the Dominion. Perhaps this remark applies with greatest force in regard to the western. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, during his first years of administration, took his advice with regard to the West from unsafe quarters. Indeed, it was often a case of the politician standing in the way of the farmer, and as a result the West has been so sacrificed that it will never recover from the blows dealt.

If other Liberal associations throughout the West would take example by the action of the Winnipeg association and declare in favor of public ownership, and, if possible, public operation of the Hudson Bay railroad and terminals, it might have a very beneficial effect in influencing or determining the policy of the Ottawa Government on this great question.

Another L.I.D. Convention.

At a meeting of councillors of Local Improvement District 4-2-4, held on December 4th, the following resolution was passed: "Whereas the convention of local improvement delegates, held at Strathcona on November 17th and 18th, was not representative of the whole province of Alberta, owing to the fact that many districts of Southern Alberta had not received notice of said convention in time to appoint delegates therefor.

"Resolved, that the secretary of Local Improvement District 4-2-4 be instructed to notify each and every local improvement district of Alberta that a convention of delegates will be held at Calgary on January 12th and 13th, 1910, requesting that one or more delegates be sent from each of the local improvement districts for the purpose of discussing the proposed alterations in and amendments to the Local Improvement District Act."

A committee will meet all trains on January 11th and 12th and delegates will procure rates on the certificate plan.

Notices are being sent to all farmers in the province to attend for the purpose of forming a Farmers' Association of the province of Alberta. Every effort is being made to make this one of the largest and most representative gatherings ever held in Alberta.

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No. 1—SPRUCE BLUFF FARM, the Home of Percherons, Shorthorns and Berkshires.

South Half 15 and North Half 10-38-27 W. 4 m., joining the town of Red Deer on the East.

It is one of the best located, developed and improved farms in Central Alberta. Has probably the best farm built in the province. This is level lying land of deep black loam with dry subsoil, and very productive. Seven-room house, with furnace, telephone, etc.; one mile from post office; all subdivided and many houses built between the business part of town and farm. An ideal situation for a farmer who cares for town advantages. Red Deer is a town of 2000 splendid social, church, school and lodge privileges. C.P.R. divisional point; the best traffic bridge on the Red Deer river; 2 brick yards; best lumber mills on Red Deer river; \$25,000 court house; \$10,000 city hall and fire station; \$15,000 hospital; 2 school houses costing \$6000 and \$50,000 respectively; electric lights; municipal owned water works for domestic use, and 120 lbs. pressure of city water; laundry; overall factory; 4 churches; 4 licensed hotels; Baptist, Presbyterian, Anglican, Methodist and Catholic churches; R.N.W.M. police barracks; Masons, Eastern Star, Oddfellows, Foresters, Mother Woods, Templars lodges; all kinds of business; a city millinery; including government creamery; \$50,000 Methodist church in process of construction; Catholic society have Roman Catholic presbytery, convent and church. The above farm will be sold as a going concern, with 20 registered Percherons, 60 registered Shorthorns, 20 pure-bred Berkshires Sows, other Horses, Cattle, Hogs and Machinery.

No. 2—S.E. Quarter 19 and N.E. Quarter 18-37-26 W. 4 m., 9 miles south-east of Red Deer.

A splendid half section of fine level land; fenced and cross-fenced; all in tame and will hay; poor building; splendid neighborhood; will make an ideal farm. C.P.R. survey 1 mile south; sure to be a town near. Will divide.

No. 3—East half section 7 and all of section 5-39-27 W. 4 m., 4 miles north-west of Red Deer.

No better soil in the district; 100 acres in timothy; fenced and cross-fenced; small grainery; school house at corner of farm; could be made one of the good farms in the neighborhood. Has 120 acres of tame hay—timothy, clover and western rye. 1 1/2 story house, 10 x 21; lean-to; 10 x 10; stable for 8 horses; 3 granaries; all planted with red roofs. 1300 Manitoba maples (box elder), 8 to 12 feet high. Public range for 200 cattle; corral, feed tanks, etc., for steer finishing. One of the best cheese factories in the province at Erskine, if one favors dairying, Erskine is a desirable trading station and is growing rapidly. Will divide.

No. 4—South-west Quarter 28-38-1 W. 5 m.

40 acres under cultivation; fenced; some timber; half mile south of Sylvan Lake, a lovely body of water 11 x 1 1/2 miles in extent, splendid beach, most popular summer resort, many cottages; gasoline, oil and saw boat station. Alberta Cattle survey within half mile, sure to be built in 1910. Will be one of the good towns right there.

No. 5—North-east Quarter 22-36-1 W. 5 m., at Solheima, 15 miles south-west of Red Deer.

Nice level land; good black soil; fine farm or grass land; well fenced; prosperous neighborhood.

No. 6—South-east Quarter 36-41-24 W. 4 m., six miles north of Tees, half mile south of the Earlville Creamery.

Nice and level, good soil; fenced; very prosperous neighborhood; not too far from railroad. Splendid location for dairymen.

No. 7—North Half 18-43-22 W. 4 m., East Half and South-west Quarter 13-43-23.

The best of them all. The best piece of land that I have owned in Alberta and as good as I have seen. 300 acres under cultivation, balance hay, and it is hay, too, no waste land. Too much cannot be said of this place, and it must be seen to be appreciated. It lies just below the neck of land dividing Battle and Red Deer lakes, and will have a railroad some of these days. This will be sold as a going concern if desired, with 200 cattle, 12 horses, machinery, etc.

No. 8—5 Quarters 1 mile from Erskine, 9 miles west of Stettler.

One quarter of this farm was my homestead, taken in 1902, and if it isn't a good one my judgment was at fault. This is a beautiful piece of land, practically clear of brush; just the kind an American would buy. It is the best fenced farm in the neighborhood. Has 120 acres of tame hay—timothy, clover and western rye. 1 1/2 story house, 10 x 21; lean-to; 10 x 10; stable for 8 horses; 3 granaries; all planted with red roofs. 1300 Manitoba maples (box elder), 8 to 12 feet high. Public range for 200 cattle; corral, feed tanks, etc., for steer finishing. One of the best cheese factories in the province at Erskine, if one favors dairying, Erskine is a desirable trading station and is growing rapidly. Will divide.

Further information of any of the above, together with Prices and Terms, can be obtained by addressing the Owner,
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CHARLES DICKENS' XMAS GREETING

"May the coming year be a happy one to you;
"Happy to many more whose
happiness depends on you;
"May each year be happier than the last."

At this season of the year we
wish to extend to all our friends
the above greeting.

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LOCAL & GENERAL.

School re-opens on Monday
next.

A. Hill is spending a week with
friends near Calgary.

Miss Gibson is the guest of Mr.
and Mrs. W. L. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wallace
spent Christmas in Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gerton
were in town over Christmas.

Remember the renowned
Bough will be at the Lyric Wed-
nesday next.

A jolly Christmas party was
held at Mrs. Page's, east of town,
on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Harkness, of
Stettler, spent Christmas in town
with Mr. and Mrs. Tait.

H. Cunningham, of Vegreville,
was the guest of Mr. and Mrs.
J. A. Carswell over Christmas.

G. W. Darrow, and family,
of Alix, were the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Pidgeon over Christmas.

The annual meeting of the
Hospital Ladies Aid will be held
at Mrs. Carswell's Tuesday,
January 4th.

St. Luke's Sunday school held
their annual Christmas tree en-
tertainment in the Oddfellows
Hall this Wednesday evening at
five o'clock.

There were only a few turned
up Friday last at the adjourned
meeting of the Exhibition Asso-
ciation shareholders. Another
meeting will be held in a few
weeks.

Leslie Reilly, of the Merchants
Bank, Okotoks, who spent Christ-
mas with his parents at Leslie-
ville, has been promoted to the
Edmonton branch and left for the
north Monday evening.

J. W. Hey, of the Great West
Lumber Co. has also been ap-
pointed an official auditor. Mr.
Hey was appointed for Wetaskiwin
but the appointment covers the
Province of Alberta.

The Alford two storey brick
block has been purchased by E.
Michener, M. P. P., and Jno. A.
Carswell, editor of the News. It
is likely the News office will be
moved to the block in a few
months.

We draw attention this week to
the special retiring advertisement
of Latimer & Bottrell. There
are a large number of men at
present transferring the goods in
the warehouse. Mr. Bottrell's
successor has not arrived, but
when he does, within a few days,
Mr. Bottrell and family expect
to leave for a month's vacation at
the coast.

The Executive Committee of the
Red Deer Assembly wish to
inform the members that they
have made arrangements with
the Calgary Orchestra to furnish
music for the New Year's eve-
ning in the Oddfellows Hall. No
invitations will be issued other
than those at the beginning of
the season. Let every member
of the assembly turn out and have
a good time. Refreshments pro-
vided.

DIARIES FOR 1910

We now have a good assortment of
both Pocket and Office Diaries.

ACCOUNT BOOKS OF ALL KINDS

Ledgers — Day Books — Cash Books
Journal and Record Books

The Gaetz-Cornett Drug & Book Co., Ltd.

Some Interesting Figures.

Chief Meeres, who has charge
of the weigh scales, is somewhat
of a statistical turn of mind. He
has kept track the past month of
business done over the town
weigh scales and figures out that
over \$17,000 worth of produce and
stock was brought to town by less
than fifty farmers during the
month of December alone. This
would make about \$350 each for
these farmers for one month. One
farmer residing at Horn Hill,
brought in over \$1,100 worth of
produce in three months. The
chief asked him if he had any idea
of his products brought in
during that time and he was as-
tonished at the figures when pro-
duced by Mr. Meeres. This \$1,
100 did not include a \$65 a month
creamery cheque. Lots of farm-
ers absolutely have no idea of the
amount of their income and when
they learn to keep their accounts
in a proper manner they will be
surprised at the amount of money
they receive and will be more
satisfied with their lot as the most
independent class of men in the
community.

Ekville.

The Local Improvement District
meeting will be held at the school
house on January 3rd. All rate-
payers should attend.

Mr. Ulrich, who is threshing
west of here, will be back this
way some time next week. It is
possible that he may stop over to
do some wood cutting.

T. B. Millar passed through
west bound. He will enquire into
the prospects with a view to
opening up one or more cheese
factories.

Among the recent visitors were
Wilbur Smith, Rev. A. J. Pat-
stone, M. R. Richards, Bruno Krause
L. Lucas, etc.

Red Deer pure-bred stock is in
good demand. Geo. F. Root has
this week shipped a Berkshire
boar to Robanville, Sask. Local
buyers of recent date are J. P.
Henski and J. W. Kidner.

BIRTH.

In Red Deer, on the 26th, to
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Plaxton, a
son.

L. M. Gaetz Takes the Public into His Confidence.

To the Editor of the News.
Sir—
Through the medium of your paper
I wish to inform the public of the
volume of business transacted during my
clearance sale and the reasons I have
for continuing the sale after the closing
date as advertised. This sale is a
bona fide one as stated before, and I
need all my capital to develop my
overall business. The public will
readily see that I must continue the
sale until I dispose of the balance of
stock either in bulk or retail. Unfor-
tunately for my plans, the party who
was to take over balance of stock left
over on the night of December 24th,
was unable to keep his agreement;
hence the necessity for me continuing
until such a time as a purchaser is
secured. No one regrets the necessity
of this step more than I do, as it
means the delaying of plans for my
factory. Words almost fail to express
my gratitude for the generous sup-
port I have received during this sale.
When the sale opened on morning of
Dec. 4th I had \$15,000 worth of stock
on hand. On the night of the 24th I
had disposed of half of that amount.
Think of it! Seven thousand dollars
worth disposed of in twenty days. Is
that not a record for this town? To
illustrate the volume of business trans-
acted—On the 4th day of December I
started with one hundred and thirty-
two men's suits. At closing time Fri-
day, the 24th, I had forty-two suits
left. Ninety suits sold in eighteen
actual working days. Do you wonder
at my gratification. On the opening I
also had twenty sheep lined coats,
fifteen fur coats, seventeen mackinaw
coats and 20 pairs mackinaw pants.
In ten days practically all those lines
had been disposed of, besides hundreds
of dozens of socks, and mitts, gloves,
caps, felt shoes, leather shoes, under-
wear, etc., galore. The balance of
stock must be rushed out. I have still
forty-two men's suits to sell—nice,
entire goods in serge, tweed and
worsted. These suits will be sold at
price advertised during Christmas
sale; the original selling price cut in
half—a twenty-four dollar suit for
twelve dollars; a twenty dollar suit
for ten dollars. Other lines will be
sold at prices advertised, and I refer
you to my ad. in this issue for prices.
Don't let this opportunity go by with-
out getting a share of the bargains I
am still offering.

By the time this issue reaches you
the new year will be upon us the
year behind. To one and all I extend
my heartfelt wishes for a happy and
prosperous New Year. Each one of us
striving to do better in the future
than in the past, each resolved to be
more diligent and energetic each in
our own way adding our little to the
sum total of the efforts to uphold this
Canada of ours.

Sincerely yours,
L. M. GAETZ.

Christmas Wedding Bells.

A very interesting home wed-
ding took place near Penhold on
the afternoon of Christmas Day.
The home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos.
Field was the rendezvous of the
wedding party, which consisted
of the immediate relatives living
in the district, and the Rev. W.
G. Brown, of Red Deer, who per-
formed the ceremony. The
happy couple were Miss Martha
Field, who wore a most becoming
dress of blue taffeta silk, and Mr.
Harvey Fitch, son of Mr. and
Mrs. R. O. Fitch. Although the
number of wedding guests was
few, the presents received by the
young couple were numerous and
valuable. After the guests had
done full justice to Mrs. Field's
Christmas turkey and wedding
dinner, all united in their heart-
iest good wishes to this popular
young couple for a long and
happy wedded life in their new
home.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RED DEER BUTTER & CHEESE MANU- FACTURING ASSOCIATION.

The Annual General Meeting of the
Red Deer Butter and Cheese Manu-
facturing Association will be held on
Friday, January 7, in the Alexandra
Hall, at 2 p.m. The contemplated
change in the local management will
be considered.
E. CARSWELL,
President.

WANTED.

A young girl to help with general
house work. Apply to Miss N.
Murphy.

FOUND.

A child's purse with a small bill in
it. The little one can have it by
calling at News Office.

STRAYED.

Strayed, 1 red and white yearling
heifer; 2 red and white yearling steers;
1 roan yearling steer, all branded TR
on right shoulder. Reward for re-
covery.

W. RODGERS, Penhold P. O.
Dec. 28, 3 w.l.

ESTRAY HEIFER.

Came onto the premises of the
undersigned a few weeks ago, a light
red heifer, yearling, spotted face,
branded 5X. Owner can have same
by paying expenses.

JOHN HOCKIN.

Sec. 8, Tp. 38, Rge. 24, W. of 4th.
Dec. 27, 3 w.l.

FOUND.

Two Halters. Left at News Office
for Owner.

TENDERS for COAL.

TENDERS will be received by the
undersigned up to Friday, Jan. 7th,
for 75 TONS OF COAL, in 25 ton lots,
to be delivered at the Memorial Hos-
pital. The lowest or any tender not
necessarily accepted. For further par-
ticulars apply to
A. W. G. ALLEN,
Secretary.

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At the Erikson Landing,
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\$3.25 PER TON

Our men will be there
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We wish
To Thank
Our Customers

For their patronage
during the past year,
and hope they have
had such satisfaction
in dealing with us that
we will be favored
with their custom in
the future.

We Extend
To All
Our Friends

The Season's Greet-
ings, and hope that
1910 will be a most
happy and prosperous
year.

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Best Pins -	-	2 pck. for 5c
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Cotton Spools -	-	7 for 25c
35c Dress Goods -	-	for 25c
50c " " -	-	for 35c
85c " " -	-	for 55c

Just 11 Dress Lengths to Clear at Half-price

\$4.00 Dress Lengths -	\$2.00
4.50 " " -	2.25
6.50 " " -	3.25
8.00 " " -	4.00
10.00 " " -	5.00

50c Table Linen -	29c
75c " " -	50c
1.00 " " -	70c
25c Overall Goods -	20c

LADIES' CLOTH COATS from 25 to 50 per cent. off
" SKIRTS " " "

THIS SALE INCLUDES OUR FURS AND XMAS GOODS OF ALL KINDS

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Our CANNED GOODS this year we believe are the best
on the market. The prices are no higher than the com-
mon kinds sold elsewhere. Insist on having E. D. Smith's
Brand.

3 lb. Tomatoes -	8 for \$1.00
2 lb. Corn, Peas and Beans -	10 "
Strawberries, Raspberries, etc. -	20c per tin

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